

REMARKS

Please cancel Claims 6, 8, 11, 17, 19, 22, 28, 30 and 33. Claims 1-5, 7, 9-10, 12-16, 18, 20-21, 23-27, 29 and 31-32 are pending. Claims 1-4, 7, 9-10, 12-15, 18, 20-21, 23-26, 29 and 31-32 are amended herein. No new matter is added as a result of the claim amendments.

103 Rejections

The instant Office Action states that Claims 1-5, 7, 9-10, 12-16, 18, 20-21, 23-27, 29 and 31-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schoof, II ("Schoof;" U.S. Patent No. 5,440,624) in view of Bodo et al. ("Bodo;" U.S. Patent No. 6,122,239). The Applicant has reviewed the cited references and respectfully submits that the present invention as recited in Claims 1-5, 7, 9-10, 12-16, 18, 20-21, 23-27, 29 and 31-32 is not shown or suggested by Schoof and Bodo, alone or in combination.

Independent Claims 1, 12 and 23 each recite "receiving an input specifying a function for controlling said recording, said input receivable and said function executable while a recording session is in progress, wherein said input is for one of a rewind command and a fast forward command and wherein said function is implemented as a VXML (Voice Extensible Markup Language) tag." Page 7 of the instant Office Action states that Schoof in view of Bodo does not teach a function implemented as a VXML tag, and Applicant respectfully agrees.

The instant Office Action cites Jimenez et al. ("Jimenez;" U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US2002/0006124) as teaching the limitation cited

above. Applicant respectfully asserts that Jimenez, alone or in combination with Schoof and Bodo, does not show or suggest the cited limitation, for the reasons presented below.

Independent Claims 1, 12 and 23 specifically recite “wherein said function is implemented as a VXML (Voice Extensible Markup Language) tag.” Applicant respectfully submits that neither the particular paragraphs of Jimenez cited in the instant Office Action, nor Jimenez in its entirety, show or suggest implementing functions as VXML tags. Jimenez only describes VXML documents.

Furthermore, independent Claims 1, 12 and 23 specifically recite inputs for rewind and fast forward commands that are specified as functions implemented as VXML tags. Applicant respectfully submits that neither the particular paragraphs of Jimenez cited in the instant Office Action, nor Jimenez in its entirety, show or suggest inputs for rewind and fast forward commands that are specified as functions implemented as VXML tags.

Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that Schoof, Bodo and Jimenez, alone or in combination, do not show or suggest the present claimed invention as recited in independent Claims 1, 12 and 23. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that independent Claims 1, 12 and 23 traverse the basis for rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) and are in condition for allowance. As such, Applicant also respectfully submits that Claims 2-5, 7, 9-10, 13-16, 18, 20-21, 24-27, 29 and 31-32 traverse the basis for rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) and are in condition for allowance, as Claims 2-5, 7,

9-10, 13-16, 18, 20-21, 24-27, 29 and 31-32 are dependent on allowable base claims and recite additional limitations.

Conclusions

In light of the above remarks, reconsideration of the rejected claims is respectfully requested.

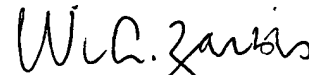
Based on the arguments presented above, it is respectfully asserted that Claims 1-5, 7, 9-10, 12-16, 18, 20-21, 23-27, 29 and 31-32 overcome the rejections of record and, therefore, allowance of these claims is solicited.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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